STATE OF MINNESOTA

EIGHTY-FOURTH SESSION — 2006

NINETY-NINTH DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2006

The House of Representatives convened at 10:00 a.m. and was called to order by Gregory M. Davids, Speaker pro tempore.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Daniel Patz, Grace Church, Wyoming, Minnesota.

The members of the House gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abeler	Dill	Haws	Lanning	Ozment	Simpson
Abrams	Dittrich	Heidgerken	Larson	Paulsen	Slawik
Anderson, B.	Dorman	Hilstrom	Latz	Paymar	Smith
Anderson, I.	Dorn	Hilty	Lenczewski	Pelowski	Soderstrom
Atkins	Eastlund	Holberg	Lesch	Penas	Solberg
Beard	Eken	Hoppe	Liebling	Peppin	Sykora
Bernardy	Ellison	Hornstein	Lieder	Peterson, A.	Thao
Bradley	Emmer	Hortman	Lillie	Peterson, N.	Thissen
Brod	Entenza	Hosch	Loeffler	Peterson, S.	Tingelstad
Buesgens	Erhardt	Howes	Magnus	Poppe	Urdahl
Carlson	Erickson	Jaros	Mahoney	Powell	Vandeveer
Charron	Finstad	Johnson, J.	Marquart	Rukavina	Wagenius
Clark	Fritz	Johnson, R.	McNamara	Ruth	Walker
Cornish	Garofalo	Johnson, S.	Meslow	Ruud	Wardlow
Cox	Gazelka	Juhnke	Moe	Sailer	Welti
Cybart	Goodwin	Kahn	Mullery	Samuelson	Westerberg
Davids	Greiling	Kelliher	Murphy	Scalze	Westrom
Davnie	Gunther	Klinzing	Nelson, M.	Seifert	Wilkin
Dean	Hackbarth	Knoblach	Nelson, P.	Sertich	Zellers
DeLaForest	Hamilton	Koenen	Newman	Severson	Spk. Sviggum
Demmer	Hansen	Kohls	Nornes	Sieben	
Dempsey	Hausman	Krinkie	Otremba	Simon	

A quorum was present.

Huntley was excused.

Blaine was excused until 12:25 p.m. Olson was excused until 12:35 p.m. Mariani was excused until 1:15 p.m.

The Chief Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day. Charron moved that further reading of the Journal be suspended and that the Journal be approved as corrected by the Chief Clerk. The motion prevailed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Seifert from the Committee on State Government Finance to which was referred:

H. F. No. 3693, A bill for an act relating to state government finance; appropriating money for the legislators' forum.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The report was adopted.

Paulsen from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration to which was referred:

H. F. No. 3718, A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring language that the state will purchase plug-in hybrid electric vehicles when commercially available to be inserted in certain bid documents; creating a task force.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was adopted.

Paulsen from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration to which was referred:

S. F. No. 1940, A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; requiring senate confirmation of the chair of the Metropolitan Airports Commission; providing a residency requirement and for terms of office for members of the Metropolitan Council and the Metropolitan Airports Commission; creating a nominating committee; modifying a reporting requirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 473.123, subdivisions 2a, 3; 473.604, subdivision 1; 473.621, subdivision 1b.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was adopted.

Seifert from the Committee on State Government Finance to which was referred:

S. F. No. 2634, A bill for an act relating to state employment; ratifying certain labor agreements and compensation plans.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The report was adopted.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H. F. No. 3718 was read for the second time.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S. F. No. 1940 was read for the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Files were introduced:

Latz introduced:

H. F. No. 4180, A bill for an act relating to courts; modifying the filing fee for a facsimile transmission; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 357.021, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Finance.

Eken and Marquart introduced:

H. F. No. 4181, A bill for an act relating to local government aid; modifying the city aid base; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 477A.011, subdivision 36.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Ruud introduced:

H. F. No. 4182, A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing the Office of the Ombudsman for Kinship Care; requiring a report; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Policy and Finance.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby announce that the Senate has concurred in and adopted the report of the Conference Committee on:

H. F. No. 2985, A bill for an act relating to funerals; prohibiting the disruption of a funeral, burial service, or memorial service; creating penalties and providing civil remedy; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

The Senate has repassed said bill in accordance with the recommendation and report of the Conference Committee. Said House File is herewith returned to the House.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following House File, herewith returned:

H. F. No. 3111, A bill for an act relating to human services; providing for interstate contracts for chemical health services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 245.50, subdivisions 1, 2, 5.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following House File, herewith returned:

H. F. No. 3285, A bill for an act relating to metropolitan land use planning; removing the requirement for metropolitan council review of school district capital improvement programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 473.175; 473.851; 473.852, subdivision 4; 473.854; 473.856; 473.857, subdivisions 1, 3; 473.864.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following Senate Files, herewith transmitted:

S. F. Nos. 3087, 3059, 3551, 2374, 2660, 2939, 2982 and 3146.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

S. F. No. 3087, A bill for an act relating to child care; changing the requirement for use of child passenger restraint systems; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 245A.18, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time.

Finstad moved that S. F. No. 3087 and H. F. No. 3368, now on the General Register, be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. The motion prevailed.

S. F. No. 3059, A bill for an act relating to human services; making changes to continuing care provisions and elderly and disabled services; expanding sick leave benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 144.0724, subdivisions 3, 4; 181.9413; 256B.434, by adding a subdivision; 256B.438, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, sections 144A.071, subdivision 1a; 256B.434, subdivision 4.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Policy and Finance.

S. F. No. 3551, A bill for an act relating to real estate appraisers; regulating trainees; modifying appraiser education, experience, and examination requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 82B.11, subdivisions 2, 3; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, sections 82B.095; 82B.13, subdivisions 1, 4, 5, by adding subdivisions; 82B.14.

The bill was read for the first time.

Soderstrom moved that S. F. No. 3551 and H. F. No. 3890, now on the General Register, be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. The motion prevailed.

S. F. No. 2374, A bill for an act relating to dogs; modifying notice requirements for unlicensed dogs that are seized; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 347.14, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time.

Meslow moved that S. F. No. 2374 and H. F. No. 3691, now on the General Register, be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. The motion prevailed.

S. F. No. 2660, A bill for an act relating to local government; modifying land dedication requirements; permitting the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and the Minneapolis City Council to impose a park dedication fee on new housing units; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 462.358, subdivision 2b.

The bill was read for the first time.

Hornstein moved that S. F. No. 2660 and H. F. No. 3095, now on the General Register, be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. The motion prevailed.

S. F. No. 2939, A bill for an act relating to the city of Pennock; authorizing the city to acquire a certain parcel of real estate and appurtenant building and to expend city funds to improve the building; authorizing the city to convey the parcel to a private entity to be operated as a commercial establishment; authorizing the city to issue bonds.

The bill was read for the first time.

Juhnke moved that S. F. No. 2939 and H. F. No. 3446, now on the General Register, be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. The motion prevailed.

S. F. No. 2982, A bill for an act relating to public safety; clarifying that unauthorized racing is considered reckless driving; prohibiting exhibition driving; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 169.13.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Finance.

S. F. No. 3146, A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying the definition of "completion date" for nursing home construction projects; removing the limit on certain nursing facility planned closure rate adjustments; modifying notice requirements for nursing home and board and care home resident relocation; modifying certain construction project rate adjustments; requiring weekly status reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 144A.161; 256B.434, by adding a subdivision; 256B.437, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, sections 144A.071, subdivision 1a; 256B.0918, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 256B.434, subdivision 4; Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 4, article 9, section 5, subdivision 8.

The bill was read for the first time.

Samuelson moved that S. F. No. 3146 and H. F. No. 3483, now on the General Register, be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. The motion prevailed.

Paulsen moved that the House recess subject to the call of the Chair. The motion prevailed.

RECESS

RECONVENED

The House reconvened and was called to order by the Speaker.

FISCAL CALENDAR

Pursuant to rule 1.22, Knoblach requested immediate consideration of H. F. No. 4142.

H. F. No. 4142 was reported to the House.

Krinkie moved to amend H. F. No. 4142, the second engrossment, as follows:

Page 3, line 28, after "paid" insert ", and any land sales under section 2"

Page 3, line 34, delete "\$1,260,000" and insert "\$1,100,000"

Page 4, line 25, delete "\$1,069,650" and insert "\$907,900"

Page 5, line 4, delete "16A.152," and insert "16A.1522,"

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

CALL OF THE HOUSE

On the motion of Sertich and on the demand of 10 members, a call of the House was ordered. The following members answered to their names:

Abeler	Dempsey	Hausman	Lanning	Ozment	Simpson
Abrams	Dill	Haws	Larson	Paulsen	Slawik
Anderson, B.	Dittrich	Heidgerken	Latz	Paymar	Smith
Anderson, I.	Dorman	Hilstrom	Lenczewski	Pelowski	Soderstrom
Atkins	Dorn	Hilty	Lesch	Penas	Solberg
Beard	Eastlund	Holberg	Liebling	Peppin	Sykora
Bernardy	Eken	Hornstein	Lieder	Peterson, A.	Thao
Blaine	Ellison	Hortman	Lillie	Peterson, N.	Thissen
Bradley	Emmer	Hosch	Loeffler	Peterson, S.	Tingelstad
Brod	Entenza	Howes	Magnus	Poppe	Urdahl
Buesgens	Erhardt	Jaros	Mahoney	Powell	Vandeveer
Carlson	Erickson	Johnson, J.	Marquart	Rukavina	Wagenius
Charron	Finstad	Johnson, R.	McNamara	Ruth	Walker
Clark	Fritz	Johnson, S.	Meslow	Ruud	Wardlow
Cornish	Garofalo	Juhnke	Moe	Sailer	Welti
Cox	Gazelka	Kahn	Mullery	Samuelson	Westerberg
Cybart	Goodwin	Kelliher	Murphy	Scalze	Westrom
Davids	Greiling	Klinzing	Nelson, M.	Seifert	Wilkin
Davnie	Gunther	Knoblach	Nelson, P.	Sertich	Zellers
Dean	Hackbarth	Koenen	Newman	Severson	Spk. Sviggum
DeLaForest	Hamilton	Kohls	Nornes	Sieben	
Demmer	Hansen	Krinkie	Otremba	Simon	

Paulsen moved that further proceedings of the roll call be suspended and that the Sergeant at Arms be instructed to bring in the absentees. The motion prevailed and it was so ordered.

Marquart; Carlson; Johnson, R.; Rukavina; Dorman; Peterson, A.; Dill; Johnson, S.; Liebling; Kahn; Goodwin; Hilty; Latz; Moe; Hosch; Sailer; Bernardy; Haws; Eken; Slawik; Peterson, S.; Lesch; Greiling; Poppe; Fritz; Solberg; Hortman; Lieder; Otremba; Lillie; Kelliher; Hausman; Lenczewski and Scalze offered an amendment to H. F. No. 4142, the second engrossment, as amended.

POINT OF ORDER

Paulsen raised a point of order pursuant to rule 3.21 that the Marquart et al amendment was not in order. The Speaker ruled the point of order well taken and the Marquart et al amendment out of order.

Entenza appealed the decision of the Speaker.

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The vote was taken on the question "Shall the decision of the Speaker stand as the judgment of the House?" and the roll was called. There were 67 yeas and 65 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Davids	Gunther	Lanning	Peterson, N.	Vandeveer
Abrams	Dean	Hackbarth	Magnus	Powell	Wardlow
Anderson, B.	DeLaForest	Hamilton	McNamara	Ruth	Westerberg
Beard	Demmer	Heidgerken	Meslow	Samuelson	Westrom
Blaine	Dempsey	Holberg	Nelson, P.	Seifert	Wilkin
Bradley	Eastlund	Hoppe	Newman	Severson	Zellers
Brod	Emmer	Howes	Nornes	Simpson	Spk. Sviggum
Buesgens	Erhardt	Johnson, J.	Olson	Smith	
Charron	Erickson	Klinzing	Ozment	Soderstrom	
Cornish	Finstad	Knoblach	Paulsen	Sykora	
Cox	Garofalo	Kohls	Penas	Tingelstad	
Cybart	Gazelka	Krinkie	Peppin	Urdahl	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, I.	Ellison	Hortman	Lenczewski	Nelson, M.	Sertich
Atkins	Entenza	Hosch	Lesch	Otremba	Sieben
Bernardy	Fritz	Jaros	Liebling	Paymar	Simon
Carlson	Goodwin	Johnson, R.	Lieder	Pelowski	Slawik
Clark	Greiling	Johnson, S.	Lillie	Peterson, A.	Solberg
Davnie	Hansen	Juhnke	Loeffler	Peterson, S.	Thao
Dill	Hausman	Kahn	Mahoney	Poppe	Thissen
Dittrich	Haws	Kelliher	Marquart	Rukavina	Wagenius
Dorman	Hilstrom	Koenen	Moe	Ruud	Walker
Dorn	Hilty	Larson	Mullery	Sailer	Welti
Eken	Hornstein	Latz	Murphy	Scalze	

So it was the judgment of the House that the decision of the Speaker should stand.

Davnie moved to amend H. F. No. 4142, the second engrossment, as amended, as follows:

Page 1, line 7, after "amount" insert "; homeowners"

Page 1, line 12, after "homestead" insert "or \$450, whichever is less"

Page 1, after line 12 insert:

- "Subd. 1a. Eligibility; amount; renters. (a) An individual who is eligible for a property tax refund based on rent paid in 2005 under Minnesota Statutes, section 290A.04, subdivision 2a, and files a claim on or before August 15, 2006, is eligible for a property tax rebate under this section.
- (b) On or before October 1, 2006, the commissioner of revenue shall pay the eligible renter a property tax rebate equal to 9 percent of the property tax refund allowed under section 290A.04, subdivision 2a, based on rent paid in 2005 and for which the renter files a claim on or before August 15, 2006.
- (c) The amount allowed under paragraph (b) of this subdivision is not subject to the limitations on the maximum amount of a refund under Minnesota Statutes, section 290A.04, subdivision 2a."

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Davnie amendment and the roll was called. There were 66 yeas and 67 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, I.	Ellison	Hortman	Lenczewski	Murphy	Scalze
Atkins	Entenza	Hosch	Lesch	Nelson, M.	Sertich
Bernardy	Fritz	Jaros	Liebling	Otremba	Sieben
Carlson	Goodwin	Johnson, R.	Lieder	Paymar	Simon
Clark	Greiling	Johnson, S.	Lillie	Pelowski	Slawik
Davnie	Hansen	Juhnke	Loeffler	Peterson, A.	Solberg
Dill	Hausman	Kahn	Mahoney	Peterson, S.	Thao
Dittrich	Haws	Kelliher	Mariani	Poppe	Thissen
Dorman	Hilstrom	Koenen	Marquart	Rukavina	Wagenius
Dorn	Hilty	Larson	Moe	Ruud	Walker
Eken	Hornstein	Latz	Mullery	Sailer	Welti

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Davids	Gunther	Lanning	Peterson, N.	Vandeveer
Abrams	Dean	Hackbarth	Magnus	Powell	Wardlow
Anderson, B.	DeLaForest	Hamilton	McNamara	Ruth	Westerberg
Beard	Demmer	Heidgerken	Meslow	Samuelson	Westrom
Blaine	Dempsey	Holberg	Nelson, P.	Seifert	Wilkin
Bradley	Eastlund	Hoppe	Newman	Severson	Zellers
Brod	Emmer	Howes	Nornes	Simpson	Spk. Sviggum
Buesgens	Erhardt	Johnson, J.	Olson	Smith	
Charron	Erickson	Klinzing	Ozment	Soderstrom	
Cornish	Finstad	Knoblach	Paulsen	Sykora	
Cox	Garofalo	Kohls	Penas	Tingelstad	
Cybart	Gazelka	Krinkie	Peppin	Urdahl	

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Bernardy, Sieben, Dorman, Atkins and Greiling offered an amendment to H. F. No. 4142, the second engrossment, as amended.

POINT OF ORDER

Paulsen raised a point of order pursuant to rule 3.21 that the Bernardy et al amendment was not in order. The Speaker ruled the point of order well taken and the Bernardy et al amendment out of order.

Bernardy appealed the decision of the Speaker.

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The vote was taken on the question "Shall the decision of the Speaker stand as the judgment of the House?" and the roll was called.

Paulsen moved that those not voting be excused from voting. The motion prevailed.

There were 68 yeas and 63 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler Abrams Anderson, B. Beard Blaine Bradley Brod Buesgens Charron Cornish Cox	Davids Dean DeLaForest Demmer Dempsey Dorman Eastlund Emmer Erhardt Erickson Finstad	Gazelka Gunther Hackbarth Hamilton Heidgerken Holberg Hoppe Howes Johnson, J. Klinzing Knoblach	Krinkie Lanning Magnus McNamara Meslow Nelson, P. Newman Nornes Olson Ozment Paulsen	Peppin Peterson, N. Powell Ruth Samuelson Seifert Severson Simpson Smith Soderstrom Sykora Tingulated	Urdahl Vandeveer Wardlow Westerberg Westrom Wilkin Zellers Spk. Sviggum
Cybart	Garofalo	Kohls	Penas	Tingelstad	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, I.	Entenza	Hosch	Liebling	Paymar	Simon
Atkins	Fritz	Jaros	Lieder	Pelowski	Slawik
Bernardy	Goodwin	Johnson, R.	Lillie	Peterson, A.	Solberg
Carlson	Greiling	Johnson, S.	Loeffler	Peterson, S.	Thao
Clark	Hansen	Juhnke	Mahoney	Poppe	Thissen
Davnie	Hausman	Kelliher	Mariani	Rukavina	Wagenius
Dill	Haws	Koenen	Marquart	Ruud	Walker
Dittrich	Hilstrom	Larson	Moe	Sailer	Welti
Dorn	Hilty	Latz	Mullery	Scalze	
Eken	Hornstein	Lenczewski	Nelson, M.	Sertich	
Ellison	Hortman	Lesch	Otremba	Sieben	

So it was the judgment of the House that the decision of the Speaker should stand.

Marquart and Atkins offered an amendment to H. F. No. 4142, the second engrossment, as amended.

POINT OF ORDER

Krinkie raised a point of order pursuant to rule 3.21 that the Marquart and Atkins amendment was not in order. The Speaker ruled the point of order well taken and the Marquart and Atkins amendment out of order.

The Speaker called Abrams to the Chair.

H. F. No. 4142, A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing a property tax rebate; providing for the sale of certain state lands to offset administrative costs of the rebate; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the third time, as amended, and placed upon its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill and the roll was called. There were 86 yeas and 47 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Dean	Hamilton	Magnus	Peterson, N.	Soderstrom
Abrams	DeLaForest	Holberg	McNamara	Peterson, S.	Sykora
Anderson, B.	Demmer	Hoppe	Meslow	Poppe	Tingelstad
Atkins	Dempsey	Hortman	Moe	Powell	Urdahl
Beard	Dittrich	Hosch	Nelson, P.	Ruth	Wardlow
Blaine	Eastlund	Howes	Newman	Ruud	Welti
Bradley	Emmer	Johnson, J.	Nornes	Sailer	Westerberg
Brod	Erhardt	Klinzing	Olson	Samuelson	Westrom
Buesgens	Erickson	Knoblach	Otremba	Scalze	Wilkin
Carlson	Finstad	Kohls	Ozment	Seifert	Zellers
Charron	Fritz	Krinkie	Paulsen	Severson	Spk. Sviggum
Cornish	Garofalo	Lanning	Paymar	Simon	
Cox	Gazelka	Latz	Pelowski	Simpson	
Cybart	Gunther	Liebling	Penas	Slawik	
Davids	Hackbarth	Lillie	Peppin	Smith	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, I.	Ellison	Hilstrom	Kelliher	Mariani	Sieben
Bernardy	Entenza	Hilty	Koenen	Marquart	Solberg
Clark	Goodwin	Hornstein	Larson	Mullery	Thao
Davnie	Greiling	Jaros	Lenczewski	Murphy	Thissen
Dill	Hansen	Johnson, R.	Lesch	Nelson, M.	Vandeveer
Dorman	Hausman	Johnson, S.	Lieder	Peterson, A.	Wagenius
Dorn	Haws	Juhnke	Loeffler	Rukavina	Walker
Eken	Heidgerken	Kahn	Mahoney	Sertich	

The bill was passed, as amended, and its title agreed to.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

CALL OF THE HOUSE LIFTED

Sertich moved that the call of the House be suspended. The motion prevailed and it was so ordered.

CALENDAR FOR THE DAY

Paulsen moved that the Calendar for the Day be continued. The motion prevailed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Ruud moved that her name be stricken as an author on H. F. No. 854. The motion prevailed.

Sykora moved that the name of Simon be added as an author on H. F. No. 4173. The motion prevailed.

Knoblach moved that H. F. No. 2916, now on the General Register, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed.

ADJOURNMENT

Paulsen moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 4, 2006. The motion prevailed.

Paulsen moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and the Speaker declared the House stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 4, 2006.

ALBIN A. MATHIOWETZ, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives